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SUSPECT IS ARRESTED IN FRANKS CASE BUT CLAIMS HE HAS A PERFECT ALIBI

Prisoner Is Known As CIVIC CLUBS JOIN George Johnson But His Right Name Is Owns a Gray Auto.

Says He Knows Nothing of 178 AT FIRST LUNCHEON Boy's Murder and Was Motoring With Young Woman on Day of Crime.

Chicago, May 27 .- Arrest of a man known as George Johnson-the name signed to the ransom letter received by Jacob Franks demanding \$19,600 for the return of his son, Robert, 13driving a Gray automobile, was the

The prisoner was driving the same make of automobile as one seen near the private school attended by young from school. The prisoner lives in accompanied by John J. Crean. the Myde Park district where the Franks family lives.

Prisoner Not Superised The prisoner known as Johnson, although his name is Adolph Papritz, said he was not surprised by his ar-

"I expected it, everybody with a Gray car is being taken in," he said, He said he knew nothing about the Franks case, and that he was about to leave for lows. On the afternoon of the kidnaping, last Wednesday, he said he was motoring with a young

New Clues Uncarthed A typewriter roller, a piece of paper and a small diagram scratched

on a piece of paper were the only new cives unearthed after hours of search today by detectives investigating the slaving.

The typewriter part, found in a questioned in connection with the case may belong to the portable typewriter on which was written the ransom demand and instructions for its delivery cording to a police theory. The articles were slightly burned, indicating an at-

tempt to destroy them. Dig For Boy's Clothes The search for clues caused detecives to spend half the night in digging for the slain boy's clothes in the vicinity of the place where the body was found and at a spot where two women were seen clearing a space alongside a darkened car on the night of the boy's disappearance. Little im-portance was attached by the police to a torn pillow slip and a scrawled note reading "I will get you yet G. J." which a party of motorists said they found in a middle near the

swamp culvert. An order was given for the police to begin excavating a sewer today in the vicinity of the home of Mott Kirc Mitchell an instructor in the private school attended by the boy, who is held for questioning with Walter Wil- able business in one of the world's son, another instructor. An application for a writ of habeas corpus for their release is not for hearing this after

Search for a Gray automobile, in which a school mate of the boy said he believed the Franks boy was spirited away, was redoubted, after an aged watchman near the scene of the finding of the boy told coroner's investigators of seeing such a car on two occasions at night and again on the night of the boy's disappearance.

Two men in the car visited the Cutvert where the body was found, he said. Three automobiles answering the description of the car have been rounded up. Two are held and one Howard street, was returned to its owner after he satisfied guestioners.

Have Many "Tips" investigators who have been swamped with "fips," yesterday searched apartment buildings in an entire block after it was reported a man answering the hypothetical dene the type for which a pair of spectacles, found near the boy's body had Fairview cemetery.

een prescribed. Rewards was information leading to the arrest and conviction of the today, by the addition of \$5,000 offered by the Chicago Tribune, augenting the \$5000 offer of the Chicago Herald and Examiner and \$5,000 offered by Jacob Franks, father of the

Two Men Who Assaulted 82 Year Old Woman to Hang

Macon, Ga., May 27.—Wade John tille were sentenced to be hanged on June 27 today for assaulting at \$2 year old woman on the night of May 18. They were tried and found guilty it a special session of the court yesterday at Bray.

INJURIES PROVE FATAL

New Haven, May 27 .- Julius Gozsi, Derby turnpike Saturday. There was a blowout of a tire obtain accurate dain on the reaction pleased with the trombune.

IN NOON MEETING

Adolph Papritz - Lynn W. Meekins Tells How New Business Can Be Gained

Lions and Kiwanis Clubs Unite in erings-Design Prizes Awarded.

ness and professional men, representog the Chamber of Commerce, the latest development in the investigation | hotel today for the first of a series of today of the kidnaping and death of monthly funcheous to be held by the combined civic clubs. The meeting combined civic clubs. The meeting "We are not beating a retreat, was opened by William E. Golthwaite, We are going forward." Dr. Elliott president of the Lions club. A solo said. "Religion must appeal to the Franks at the time he started home was rendered by Miss Alice Sullivan, conscience, and it is the conscience of

of the Chamber of Commerce, who because written in the hearts of men. announced that similar, meetings Preachers will not stand in their pulwould be held on the last Tuesday of every month from now on, at which with the shepherd's crook in their time speakers of national prominence would be present to talk on civic matters.

ilgh school, on behalf of the Chamber Mr. Short said. of Commerce, officially welcomed into the great causes of divorce. losed recently. Mr. Slade adapted his not adopted." talk from the statement by Louis Pasteur, who defined democracy as That form of government which caves every citizen free to do his best or the public welfare."

Steve Robb, chairman of the Chamfour months ago started a contest in in thrash pile near the home of a man the schools for designs for a Chamber lusignia, presented prizes to the fol- tions in this country. He was gradu-

Senior High school, first prize, John Marfyak, \$10 in gold. Two Senior and signed "George Johnson," ac- High school girls tied for second prize and Edith Bergstrom and Alice Feineman were awarded \$5 in gold each In the Junior High school, Haro 1 Gates was awarded \$10 in gold and the only nominee. Everett Anderson \$5.

The principal speaker was Lynn W. Meekins, New England district manager of the bureau of commerce and ormerly the department of commerce representative in China. Mr. Meekins the army, address was as follows:

"A few days.ago a prominent Chinese importer called at the customhouse in Boston with a letter of introduction from the American trade commissioner in Shanghai. He wanted to buy materials required by the largest publishing house in the far east and articles needed to stock a new department store. Nearly five hundred manufacturers throughout New England were notified of this opportunity to participate in profit-

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ANNA MARIA ERICSON DIES IN NINETY-FOURTH YEAR

Howard Street Woman Had Lived in New Britain For 23 Years-

Was Native of Sweden

Anna Maria Ericson, 52 years died early this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Johnson, of country from Sweden 65 years ago, living in Branford for 42 years, and Besides Mrs. Johnson, she leaves another daughter, Mrs. Beda Anderson: two sons, Carl E., and J. George of Bridgeport. The funeral will be held scription of "Johnson" had tried to in the home at 2 o'clock, followed by Boston and Maine freight train at the igtion of "Johnson mad tried to a service in the Erwin Mortuary chap. E street crossing. The machine was it a room. His manner appeared to el at 2:30 o'clock. Burial will be in wrecked but the occupants escaped

METHODISTS LIFT FOUR FIRES TAKE AMUSEMENT BANS TOLL OF FOUR LIVES

Dancing, Games of Chance and Pyromaniac Suspected in Fatal Theaters on Approved List Blazes in Harlem

CONSCIENCE AS A GUIDE SIX KILLED IN NEWARK

Hereafter Ministers Will Not Stand in Pulpit With Club, But With Shenherd's Crook. Dr. Elliott Says -Minority Report Opposed.

Springfield, May 27 .- The Methodist ban upon amusements. except those "which cannot be used in the name of the Lord Jesus," was lifted by a five to one vote of the Methodist today. A minority report forbidding heater attendance on Sundays and specifying dancing and immoral the-

majority report of a standing committee on the state of the church and W. M. Short of Fort Worth, Texas, spoke for the minority report. The Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis clubs of adoption of the former removed rethe city, assembled at the Burritt strictions against dancing, games of chance and all theater attendance, in force since the church's inception.

Are Going Forward. men that must be trusted. This new law goes back to Wesley and Paul Mr. Golthwaite turned the meeting and Jesus Christ, and goes forward er to President Joseph R. Andrews to a time when law shall be no more pits now with a policeman's club but hands. They will go along on a new

program for the savings of souls." Principal L. P. Stade of the senior great hardship on the churches." "Dancing is one of the chamber the new members who will say that the Methodist church has were signed up during the drive which retreated if the minority report is

Elect Dr. Diffemlorfer.

Rev. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, educational secretary of the committee on conservation and advance, was elected corresponding secretary board of foreign missions. He was per of Commerce committee which associate secretary for home missions in the centenary, movement and directed a survey of religious condiated from Ohio Westevan university in 1902 and from Drew Theological

seminary in 1907. Rev. Dr. David D. Forsyth of Philadelphia was re-elected corresponding secretary of the board of home missions and church extension. He was

Commander Evangeine Booth head of the Salvation Army, was welcomed by the conference today in the course of a visit to this city. She described the evangelical mission of

ROBBED OF \$15,000

Cambridge Bank Messenger Held Up and Relieved of Bag of Money-Bandits Flee in Motor Car.

men held up Herbert Hume, a mes- up stairs with a can of disinfectant senger for the Guaranty Trust company of this city, today and robbed can the length of the stairs when

Hume was on his way in a closed automobile to the National Shaw.nut bank in Boston. On the West Boston bridge a limousine containing the four men crowded his car against the curb sey street and sixty on Williams street. and forced him to stop. Two of the men jumped out and one pointed a pistol at the messenger while the other

opened the door of Hume's car and seized the bag containing the money. The two then reentered the limousine, which turnd around and headed back toward Cambridge,

HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.

Ware, Mass., May 27.—Mr. and She came to this Mrs. George Hellis of 1245 Common-Nathaniel I. Bowditch and William in New Britain for the past 23 years. Wheeler also of Newton, trustees of the Massachusetts agricultural college narrowly escaped death noon when the touring car in which they were riding to Amberst for a Thursday afternoon, private services trustees' meeting was struck by the

Effect Of Music On Animals Is Learned By Unique Experiments

Waltz Lulls Tiger to Sleep But Jazz Angers Him-Lions "Laugh" At Saxophone But Bears Get Peevish-Baboons Enjoy Syncopation-Elephant Shows Glee At Trombone Solos.

waltz puts a tiger to sleep; lions were observed; come pearest to laughing when they Jazz numbers angered the tigers. listen to a saxophone; and Baboons The Baboons danced to a tune built are almost human in their weakness up on a once prevalent scarcity of of Shelton, 13, died at a hospital dur- for jazz, psychologists and students bananas. Brown bears went into a ing last night from injuries received from several southern California uni- tantrum when confronted with a an automobile smashup on the versities and colleges have deduced, meaning saxephone. An elephant ig-trby turnpike Saturday. The lad The scientists invaded a motion pic-nored the orchestra ensemble, shied A companion was on the road ture 200 here with an orchestra and at the bass viol, trumpeted at the roll

and Sheehan lost control of the ma- certain types of music might be exhire which hit a pole. All these oc- pected to produce in various animals, interested. from lullables to jazz tempests. In- ance.

and was picked up by William Shee. carried on numerous experiments to of a drum, but appeared immensels The mountain float were not much

upants were burt. The police did not While professors and students took Mary, the ape, smoked cigarettes hink Sheehan was criminally respon- notes, the numicians ran the gamul through the whole two bour performible and so he was not held.

Four Persons are Burned to Death When Windsormen's Hotel is Gutted -Cigarette May Have Caused Can of Disinfectant to Explode.

New York, May 27 .- Four persons, two children, a man and a woman, all negroes, were burned to death in four early morning fires in Harlem today. Episcopal general conference here All the fires were believed to have been started by a pyromaniac.

carried or assisted to safety by police state's attorney to use the great powater performances was tabled by and firemen and two others a mother ers of his office to protect the innoand her infant baby, received probable cent as it is to convict the guilty," There was no debate. Dr. George fatal injuries when the woman jumped State's Attorney Homer S. Cummings Elliott of Detroit presented the from a second story window in flecing today analyzing what he says "upon the flames.

Fires All Near Together All the fires were started in a radius utes of each other. In two of the tene- ary 4, and with the approval of Judge ment houses, lodging 80 families, firemen found kerosene-sonked rags and tered in the case in the superior court mattress under hallway staircases, here today, Within an hour a score of deputy Thrilling Rescues

the flames burned so quickly and will expire June 5. nercely that tenants were unable to descend the fire escapes until firemen the ladders and the fire.

and his two smail daughters, burned fail. 134th street tenement. The dead city court for holding Israel. woman who lived in a house on the state's attorney in fact says that the same street two blocks away was not investigations and actions prior to the

Newark Hotel Burns

Newark, N. J., May 27 .- At least 6 persons were burned to death in a fire based on two general grounds: in Mills hotel on Halsey street today. and it is feared the number may be

more were found on the top been much larger than customary due and Fire Chief Moorse said he feared tested in Norwalk at least 15 persons had been burned.

In located in the center of the automomany of the inmates.

seeing three men come to a fire es. sons known to him pass b

atructure.

Police have in their possession a tin can which is said to have figured in the disinfectant ignited.

Firemen Have Hard Fight

An hour after the fire started firemen had it confined to the one building, which extends 100 feet on Hal-During that hour the flames threatened numerous adjoining buildings. Dense smoke which apparently poured from burning bed clothing and mattresses filled the street on four sides of the block and seriously hindered firemen. Tires in one of the street floor shops added their acrid fumes to the

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WILL GO TO LAW AGAINST GROVE-BROAD ST. BLOCK

Property Owners Object to Erection of Building-Say Petition

Was Ignored

A committee of fifth agrd prop-erry owners called at the office of Mayor A. M. Paonessa today to enter protest against a reduction of building line at the corner of Grove and Broad streets, and when informed that the line has already been established by the common council, the callers announced that they would institute civil action to restrain the erection of a business block on

that corner. For the past several months, the proposed change has been before various city commissions and was retast Wednesday night and adopted. Inder the new ordinance, the building time at this point is five feet in-

strad of ten feet. The committee that visited the mayor this morning asserted that 41 Los Angeles, Cal., May 27,-Playing side the eages the following results of the 12 property owners in the immediate neighborhood are opposed and they claimed a petition of position given the town clerk was never brought before the council.

THE WEATHER

Bartford, May 27 .- Forevast for New Britain and vicinity: Unsettled showery weather tonight and Wednesday; little change in temperature.

35 KNOWN KILLED AND DEATH LIST GROWS IN TORNADO THAT SWEEPS ACROSS SEVERAL SOUTHERN STATES

ALEXANDER ZALESKI

wearing his medal emblematic of the

marble champtonship of New Britain.

He will go to Atlantic City Sanday to

play for New Britain in the national

Finals in Contest at

Walnut Hill Park

student at the Links Durritt Employ

binnes of unfair play.

pionship tilt Irving Wasman, of the

Monroe school, defeated Jack Shields.

of the Stanley school; George Mingel,

hampion of the East street school

defeated Margaret Seston of the

Ruckwell school; Zabeski beat Joe

Vincent, of St. Joseph's school and

John Saucnon, of the Washington

and work her way into the champion-

championship metches.

ZALESKI IS CHAMP

The young man pictured above is

STATE'S ATTORNEY FREES ISRAEL ON CHARGE OF MUPPING

Cummings Declares Accused Had Perfect Alibi and in Name of Justice His Release Is Necessary.

Bridgeport, May 27. - Declaring Between 60 and 70 persons were that "it is just as important for a its face at least, seemed a well night perfect case" concludes that Harold F. Israel did not murder Rev. Hubert of a few blocks and within a few min- F. Dahme on the evening of Febru-1.. P. Waldo Marvin, a nolle was en-

Israel was by this action automarshals assisted by the police started matically freed from a charge of first a city widesearch for the pyromaniac, degree murder. He is serving a sentence of 90 days imposed in the city The firemen had difficulty in effect court of Norwalk on the charge of number of rescues. In one tenement carrying concealed weapons, which

No Criticism of Police

Mr. Cummings' presentation of the had hung a curtain of water between case to Judge Marvin covers the events from the moment Father Three of the victims were a father Dahme was shot in the minutest de-There is no criticism of the poto death on the fifth floor of a west lice department, coroner's office or time the case reached superior court were in every respect logical and

Mr. Cummings' action in the case is

First, that Israel established a perfect alibi for his presence elsewhere considerably ingreased than at the scene of the murder at Three bodies were brought out the time that it was committed and while the flames were raging. Two second, that six ballistic engineers floor, after experiments, expressed the post-More than 100 roomers occupied the tive conviction that the pullet which building last night, the number having killed Rev. Father Dahme was not fired from the revolver to the presence of a circus in the city, Israel's possession when he was ar-

Makes Experiment Many Persons Trapped - In his discussion of the evidence, walked off with the honors in the The hotel, a nea's rooming house, Mr. Commings declares that the Herald-Junior Achievement marble strongest part is that furnished by contest. He got his eagle eye and bils tire district. The fire broke out Miss Nellie Trafton a waitress in a siddenly in the third floor, trapping restaurant near the scene of the shooting. Miss Trafton told police The fire spread quickly to the entire and the coroner that Israel passed Salamon, 12 year old, in the finals for third and fourth floors and enveloped the restaurant a few minutes before the city championship, thereby winthird and fourth moors and enveloped the shooting and waved at her as she ming a gold medal designating him stood in the window.

Mr. Cummings declares that he per- | City, where he will spend the time in dow by firemen. A policeman who was sonally made the experiment of standone of the first on the scene reported ing in the window and observing percape door only to be caveloped in conditions such as prevailed at the time Miss Trafton says she recognized The hotel is a four-story frame Israel. He says that it was not posible to be certain of the identity. Morcover, Mr. Cummings says that investigation disclosed that it would not Cambridge, Mass., May 27.—Four ported that a man in the hotel going person to have waived at Miss Traffon up stairs with a can of disinfectant "even a stranger." Her testimony, and smoking a cigarette, threw the standing by itself. Mr. Cummings says "is absolutely worthless."

As to the evidence of the bullistic experts, the state's attorney declares that they stated positively that mortal bullet was not fired from Israel's revolver. If they had found to the contrary, the state's attorney declares it would have established Israel's guilt in spite of the weakness

Althi Is Perfect But the concluding point in the review is the fact that Israel established s perfect allbi. He stated that he was in the Empire theater at the time. He was naked, without beeing opportunity to anticipate the question or securnformation as to the fire he entered and the pletures that were shown during his stay there. His statements subsequently were checked up by the theater manager and showed that they did not vary more than two minutes. ter on the evening of Petersary 4. Mr. Commings' statement covers 23

CONVICT ATTACKS WOMEN

typewritten pages.

Condemned Murderer, After Being Baptized, Tries To Hold Them In His Cell As Hostages

Florence, Ariz. May 27. William Ward, condemned murderer year terday sought to hold two women is his death cell until granted his free. dom, seriously stabbing one, and in turn was set upon and beaten danger. ously by fifty contlets. In response to his request Mrs. J.

E. Wright and Miss Stella Martin pust ported back to the common council had haptized Ward when he attacked Mrs. Weight with an teopiek and struck Mirs Martin, throwing them both into his cell. Mrs. Wright was injured seriousis. Just before Ward was buptized be

delivered his ultimatum to prison Superintendent Sims, threatening Ward was sentenzed to be langed June 20 for sinying Ted Grosh, uni-

versity of Arizona athlete.

NO EDITION FRIDAY

Friday, Decoration Day, the Herald will not publish. Inco-oration Day is one of the few notidage observed by this memaTerrific Storm Spreads Destruction Through Mississippi, Alabama And Louisiana-Families Wined Out.

Homes Are Demolished and Towns Razed-Two Year Old Baby Blown Away

Atlanta, Ga., May 27. - A series of tornadoes sweeping through Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana last night and early today took a known toll of 35 lives and injured upwards of 70 persons, according to advices reaching here today. Property

damage was heavy.

OF MARBLE PLAYERS Other communities reporting deaths include Swain plantation near Greenville, where three ne-13 Year Old Boy Wins

ilies were reported annihilated in the little mining community. Reports from Athens place the number of dead at seven in the

fatally injured.

New Orleans, May 27, -- At least 17 dead and 50 injured was the tall of storm that swept through Mississippi tast night.

of the United States, "Buttsy" won Reports received over erippled wires a silver medal as the "runner up" in indicated the following casualities: the tauenament. Wenderful warets. manship was displayed by both boys 12 intured. in the final game, neither taking an

advantage which had even a semrsons injured. In the first matches of the cham-

> Union-Eight injured. Waynesboro Several negroes kills

street school bent John Andrini of St. Marguret Sexton was the only girl player to survive the early motelies

ship battle In the semi-final Zaleski eliminated Wagman and Salamon beat Mingle. Zatenki is a good elean playing, sportsmantike whan who will bring due credit to his city in the matches al Atlantic City. It is hoped, of course, that he will be able to bring States when he returns on the 5th of June. If he does not do so the esty best, He will leave here Sunday morning, June 1, with his father, possibly, though this point has not yet been

fully decided. Each of the school champions were wented with a broade model at the park praterias. The winner and the unner-up got their championship

ALCORN WANTS MILLS CASE BROUGHT BACK

Will Ask Federal Judge to Return It to Superior Court

Hartford, May 37.—The case of J. Witte Mills, former rederal probibletion enforcement agent, charged by the state of Connecticut with violation of the probabition favo in being found in a place where liquor was section. reputed to have been sold, will comup in the federal court on Wednesday of next week for loaning of a motion by State's Attorney Hugh M. Alcora to have the earn remanded back to the superior court.

Mills was arrested when he was from here. found in a Social in Southington raid-ed by county agents. The case was transferred to the federal court an and several members of his family motton of his counsel, Atturney Henry J. Calben, and it is the desire of the Bay Springs was demolished during a state's attorney to have a remanded back to the state court for trial,

Near Ellament, Ala.

In Mississippi the known dead totalled 17, with 50 persons injured. At Collins two persons are believed to have lost their lives and 12 were injured when most of the business district was wiped out. The storm also struck Johnson Station, Vicks-burg, Greenville and Bay Springs, causing death and injury to several families.

groes were killed and a dozen others injured, and Waynesboro, where several negroes were In Alabama ten persons were reported dead and 15 injured at the Owens Mining community near Empire City. Three fam-

Ellamont neighborhood. In Louisiana one man struck by lightning is thought to be

playing in the nativ mi muride match-

Johnston Station - Eight killed and Collins-Two girls killed and twelve

they Springs - Victor Cook and sev-cal members of family killed. Swain Planiation, near Greenville. bece negroes killed and twelve in-

Sanderville-Several injured.

to Killed at Empire. Ma. Birmingham, Aia., May 27,-Ten persons were killed at Empire, Alau in a storm early today, say reports received by newspapers here. The letims were white persons, members of three households whose homes were smashed by a twister which struck anddon's Elitren persons were reported in-

The dend: Billy Robbins and seven members of his family; Mrs. John Hays and a young woman named Abbott, Among the fujured in John Hays, Later reports said That the most erious demage was done in the Owens community, a mining camp three tuttem trong firmpire.

Sweeps Acress Mississippi

Jackson, Miss., May 27.-Eleven persons were killed, 24 Injured and cury damage camed by a series of storms which swept sections of south on Missiskippi late yesterday and last

troports from Brook Haven early odny said that eight persons fiving the fittle town of Johnson 12 miles roon there, were killed and twelve innred, at least one probably fatally, ohen a turneds virtually wiped out

he town. An unconfirmed report was that the orm had caused heavy property lattings at Summit, near Brookhaver but did not any whether there had been loss of life. All wires to the two stricken towns were down and details

tere lacking. Three negroes were killed and furthe other persons injured in the first torondo reported late yesterday. It demolished eleven buildings on the pinutation of W. B. Swain, fifteen niles cast of Greenville, one of the largest individually owned in the Delta

Mayages of Storm Gadaden, Ata., May 27.—Eight perone were injured, a number seriously today in a storm that struck the White Springs community, seven miles

Laurel, Miss., May 27 .- Victor Cook were killed when their home east of

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